SWB Memo #65-68 19 May 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR : Chief, SR/CA

ATTENTION

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SUBJECT

Results of Testing Paper for Secret Writing

(Project: AERODYNAMIC)

REFERENCE

: Memo from Chief, SR/CA, 12 May 1965

- 1. The blank piece of off-white paper (measuring approximately  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches by  $6\frac{1}{11}$  inches) forwarded to this office by the referenced memorandum has been received and tested for the presence of secret writing, but all tests were negative. Chemical tests were also performed to determine if this paper might possibly be an SW carbon sheet and these likewise proved negative. The piece of paper was destroyed during the examination and testing.
- 2. We regret that the results of this analysis could not be submitted by the date you requested; but, in accordance with our telephone conversation of 14 May, your memorandum and the paper to be tested did not arrive in TSD/SWB until the afternoon of 14 May.
- 3. For your information, one possible explanation for the presence of this thick, blank piece of paper is that the sender may have placed it in the envelope in an effort to prevent the letter from being viewed by a candling type of process (i.e., holding the envelope next to a strong light source). Then, too, if the sender added extra glue to seal the envelope, he may have placed this paper directly under the envelope flap to prevent the added glue from oozing onto the contents and sticking the letter to the inside of the envelope.

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